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SUBJECT: ALGERIANS REACT CAUTIOUSLY ON CIEC

1. ALGERIAN REACTION TO OUTCOME OF CIEC HAS BEEN ONE OF DISSATISFACTION BUT YET UNWILLINGNESS TO BE OVERLY CRITICAL, OSTENSIBLY FOR FEAR OF ENDANGERING CHANCES OF SUCCESS OF DIALOGUE. ILLUSTRATIVE OF THIS THEME IS EL MOUDJAHID'S EDITORIAL OF DEC. 20 ENTITLED "IS THE DIALOGUE COMPROMISED?"

2. EDITORIAL MAKES FOLLOWING MAIN POINTS:

A. CIEC MINISTERIAL USEFULLY SERVED TO ENUMERATE AND DEFINE THE JURISDICTION OF CONFERENCE.

B. THE FUNDAMENTAL PROBLEMS STANDING IN WAY OF UNCLASSIFIED

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SUCCESS OF CONFERENCE, HOWEVER, REMAIN UNRESOLVED.

OBSOLETE WORLD ECONOMIC SYSTEM AND MANEUVERS OF  
INDUSTRIALIZED COUNTRIES EXPLAIN THIS "LAMENTABLE"  
OUTCOME OF CONFERENCE.

C. QUESTION IS NOW POSED AS TO WHETHER DIALOGUE  
SHOULD CONTINUE WITHOUT CONCRETE GUIDELINES. IT WOULD  
SEEM THAT FUNDAMENTAL REEXAMINATION OF POSITIONS OF  
INDUSTRIALIZED COUNTRIES WOULD BE NECESSARY; HOWEVER,  
WESTERN COUNTRIES SEEM MORE INTERESTED IN PUTTING THEIR  
OWN HOUSES IN ORDER THAN IN BUILDING RELATIONS WITH  
THIRD WORLD.

D. WEST HAS TRIED AGAIN AT CIEC MINISTERIAL TO  
DIVIDE THIRD WORLD ON QUESTION OF NEW INTERNATIONAL  
ECONOMIC ORDER, AND TO ORIENT THE CONFERENCE TOWARD  
DISCUSSION OF OIL MATTERS. IN ADDITION, THE WEST'S  
"SHOCK GROUP," THE IEA, HAS PRACTICALLY RELAUNCHED POLICY  
OF CONFRONTATION BY ADOPTING OIL FLOOR PRICE. THE  
THIRD WORLD DOES NOT ACCEPT POSITION THAT OIL QUESTION  
SHOULD BE TREATED AS MORE IMPORTANT THAN OTHERS.

E. ONCE AGAIN, WEST HAS CHOSEN TO AVOID RATHER THAN  
DEAL WITH SERIOUS PROBLEMS. THEY HAVE THUS BLOCKED  
DIALOGUE. FOR HOW LONG, NO ONE KNOWS, CONCLUDES EL  
MOUDJAHID EDITORIAL.

3. OTHER ARTICLES AND STATEMENTS ALSO MAKE CENTRAL  
POINT THAT ALGERIA IS SEEKING TO MAKE DIALOGUE  
MEANINGFUL AND EFFICIENT. IN ORDER TO DO THIS,  
ALGERIANS PRESSING HOME THEIR CONVICTION THAT THE  
CHAIRMEN'S MEETING ON JANUARY 26 MUST SUCCEED IN  
ESTABLISHING MORE CONCRETE GUIDELINES FOR THE COMMISSIONS.  
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